# DDRS Advisory Council July 17, 2019



#### Welcome and Today's Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- IHCDA Programs and Initiatives Matt Rayburn, IHCDA
- First Steps Quarterly Update Christian Commons, First Steps
- System Re-Design Updates
  - Stakeholder Feedback Summary
- Next Meeting: August 21st



## **IHCDA Programs and Initiatives**

Matt Rayburn
IHCDA Deputy Executive Director &
Chief Real Estate Development Officer



# First Steps Quarterly Update Christina Commons, Director



#### SFY20/21 State Appropriation

- \$18M total State appropriation
- \$6.6M in new funding
  - \$3.33M provider rates
  - \$2.66M SPOE contracts
  - \$660K program infrastructure



#### State Infrastructure

- New Early Intervention data system with program-wide implementation and utilization
  - Case Management
  - Billing
  - Provider Enrollment
- RFP Award announced June 12
- Vendor Public Consulting Group, PCG
- Contract under negotiation
  - July 1, 2019 start date



#### **SPOE Contracts**

- Effective 7/1/19 through 6/30/21
- New allocation method developed
  - Total children served
  - Operational costs
- \$2.66M divided based upon new allocation methodology



#### First Steps Provider Rates

- \$3.3M of appropriations must support increased provider rates pursuant to section 2 of HEA 1542
- 2018 First Steps rate study recommendations used as target goal
- Fiscal impact was modeled using:
  - current rates
  - actual service & CPT code utilization data
  - specific third party reimbursement parameters (Medicaid, TANF)



#### First Steps Provider Rates (cont.)

- 3 scenarios were created to reflect rates for offsite ongoing services provided
- Increases considered for following services
  - Developmental therapy
  - Occupational therapy
  - Physical therapy
  - Speech therapy
  - Nutrition
  - Social work
  - Family training and counseling



#### Presumptive Income Verification

- HEA 1216
  - Family presumed to have income not more than 250% of the federal poverty level if the family is receiving benefits under:
    - Medicaid
    - SNAP
    - TANF
    - Any other program approved by the division
- Effective July 1, 2019
- Decreases administrative burden



#### Family Cost Participation

- Family Cost Participation table removed from Indiana Code during 2019 session
- If needed, any adjustments to the methodology and table can be addressed as part of rule drafting/promulgation process
  - Will include obtaining stakeholder input, including the ICC
- Current cost participation plan can be found in 470 IAC 3.1-12-7



#### Child Progress Report Requirements

- Effort to continue improving administrative requirements and processes
- Effective 7/3
- New reporting requirements
  - Minimum of semi annual reports
  - Must continue to monitor child outcome progress
  - Reports due by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> months of the child's IFSP
  - IFSP may require more frequent reports if determined appropriate for the unique needs of the individual child and family





#### 2019 First Steps Conference

- Sold-out
- 500 in attendance
- Importance of social emotional development was the underlying theme
- Pre-conference and Thursday keynote with Dr. Tweedy Yates
- Friday keynote on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Dr. Christina Bethell
- State agency partner panel
- 38 personnel honored with the Excellence in Service Awards



#### Part C Application

- Received full approval July 1, 2019
  - First time we have received full approval since before
     2011
  - All required IDEA Part C policies, procedures, MOUs, and assurances are on file with OSEP
- FFY19 Grant \$9.1M



## System Re-Design Updates



#### System Re-Design Updates

- Waiver Re-Design
  - Stakeholder Feedback Summary
- Employment Array
- Institutional Modernization
- Living Well



### DDRS Advisory - Next Meeting

- Next Meeting:
  - Wednesday, August 21
  - 10:00 am Noon
  - Indiana Government Center

